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In re Application of: )  
SUMITADA YAMAMOTO ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: Unassigned ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Filed: November 28, 2003 )  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed. The concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language documents is found at page 4 of the application and in the attached English Abstracts thereof.

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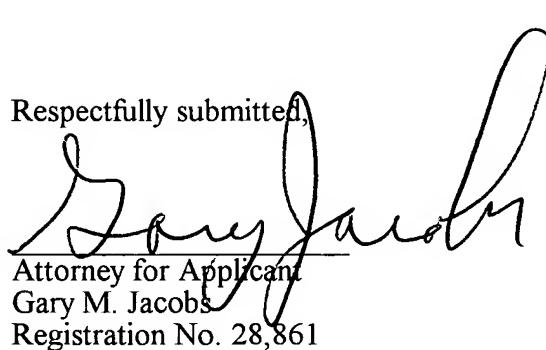
No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		<b>2-210813</b>	<b>8/22/1990</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abst.</b>
		<b>6-216000</b>	<b>8/5/1994</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abst.</b>

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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